

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1404A
Susumu TSUKAMOTO et al. : **Confirmation No. 3816**
Serial No. 10/590,706 : Group Art Unit 3742
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LASER WELDING METHOD : **Mail Stop: RCE**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 19, 2011 and the Advisory Action of April 5, 2012, the time for responding thereto having been extended one month to April 19, 2012, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows.